

REDEVERYWHERE

NO SMOKING & VAPING POLICY

January 2025



1. Position Statement

- 1.1 Redeverywhere regards itself as a health-promoting organisation. It recognises that its staff role models for children in all aspects of school life, including health promotion. In light of the acts vaidence that second hand smoke causes damage to health this policy has been implemented to:
 - Protect the staff, students, young people and visitors from the effects of tobacco smoke
 - Acknowledge the educational role of the organisation in discouraging students and young people from starting to smoke; and
 - Help smokers to quit.

2. Rationale:

- **2.1** Smoking is the single most preventable cause of premature death and ill health in our society.
- 2.2 Passive smoking is also potentially fatal. It has been shown to cause lung cancer, as well as many other illnesses, in non-smokers. Young people are particularly vulnerable to the effects of second hand smoke.
- **2.3** Breathing in second hand smoke is a health and safety issue for all adults who work at the at the provision.
- **2.4** Everyone has the right to breathe clean air.
- **2.5**Educational establishments have a major role to play in working towards non-smoking being seen as the norm in society.
- 2.6 Young People need to receive consistent messages and require non-smoking role models within the school.

3 No Smoking policy:

3.1 Smoking or 'vaping' (e-cigarettes) is not allowed anywhere on or near the premises buildings and grounds.

4. Staff:

4.1 Staff are recognised `role models`, as such are required not to smoke or use e-cigarettes in sight of students, on or near the school site. This will include visits/ school trips etc and include teaching and associate staff.

5. Visitors:

5.1 The No Smoking Policy applies to all visitors to the school (including suppliers, supply or temporary staff and repair people).

6. Parents and Carers:

6.1 It will be requested that parents and carers adhere to the No Smoking Policy.

7. Communicating the Policy:

- **7.1** The following arrangements have been made for informing people of the policy's existence:
- **7.2** Staff will be informed of the No Smoking Policy at recruitment.
- **7.3** Clearly worded signs will be sited to inform visitors that the premises are smoke free.
- **7.4** Staff members will inform visitors of the policy when necessary.
- 7.5 Information will be included in the provision prospectus and on the website to inform prospective parents and carers of the No Smoking Policy.

8. Assistance for those who smoke:

8.1 RedEverywhere recognise that smoking is an addictive behaviour. Anyone who wishes to give up should contact their GP for support and referral to smoking cessation project

9. Monitoring and Reviewing

9.1 Red Everywhere will review this policy at least every year and whenever there is a change in legislation or guidance. We will assess its implementation and effectiveness. The policy will be promoted and implemented throughout Red Everywhere. **Next Review Date:** *1*st *January 2026*

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